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# FLOWERS.

CROCKER'S FLOWER SEEDS  
FLOWER SEED SPECIALISTS.

CROCKER FLOWER SEED COMPANY.

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MINNEAPOLIS MINN.



# Crocker Flower Seed Company

FLOWER SEED SPECIALISTS.



MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., January 1, 1900.

BETTER SEEDS THAN EVER, better varieties than ever, is what we promise our customers for 1900. Our seeds have always been the best, and our motto, "our customers' success is our success," is bringing us an immense business.

For compactness, neatness, correct and accurate information, new and valuable varieties, careful selection of the best and absence of old discarded varieties, we invite comparison with any catalogue issued. There are few, very few, who have engaged in the FLOWER SEED business EXCLUSIVELY year after year, and who, like us, are specialists in FLOWER SEEDS.

There is no catalogue published which has so much information about FLOWERS and how to grow them; the information herein contained and the directions printed on each seed packet cannot but reward the grower with complete success.

We call attention to the beauty and artistic perfection of this cover; we have made an extraordinary effort to close the century with a beautiful catalogue.

You will receive with this catalogue, or can have for the asking, a catalogue of shrubs, small fruits and roses, which catalogue is issued by the MISSISSIPPI VALLEY NURSERY COMPANY, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, a company which has our confidence, and we believe deserves yours. So many of our customers wish roses, choice shrubs, etc., and we are asked so often to recommend some reliable firm that we take this opportunity. Orders may be sent to the Crocker Flower Seed Company.

This Northern section of the great Mississippi Valley, the natural home of the agriculturist, excels all the rest of the world in its SEEDS, PLANTS AND SHRUBBERY; they attain perfection here and are extremely hardy. We are also near the geographical center of the United States, and goods from us reach all parts of the country promptly. Promising great care and promptness in the filling of your orders, we remain,

Very truly yours,

**Crocker Flower Seed Company.**





AMARANTHUS.

**AMARANTHUS, Gibosus.**

Most brilliant and showy annual that grows. No plant is more appropriate for the center of a bed or in other places where a striking and stately effect is desired than the Amaranthus. Two or three of these plants in the center of a bed, or several of them massed together, will attract more attention and be more ornamental than any plant of which we know. It is perfectly adapted to our warm summers, very easily grown from the seed in the open ground and well worthy a place in any garden. Allow sufficient space for the plant to develop in all directions. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Annual. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 3 cents.*



ARABIS ALPINA.

**ARABIS ALPINA.**

This is one of the most early of spring flowers, producing its beautiful white blossoms long before most of the other plants in the garden are fairly established. Our illustration shows to perfection the branching stems, each crowned with a multitude of snow-white flowers. In reality this effect is greatly enhanced by the bright green leaves. Throughout the dry, warm weather of our summer it never fails to be covered with a profusion of bloom. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Hardy perennial. *Pkt., 250 seeds, 4 cents.*

**AGROSTEMMA.**

This beautiful plant is often called "Rose of Heaven," and will be found a very useful cutting plant for bouquets. In order to secure the best effect when the plants are in bloom, they should be sown in masses in beds, or in clumps in the border. The blossoms are of a charming, delicate rose-pink, borne on long slender stems; the woolly foliage makes a very effective setting for the flowers. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. 18 inches. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 4 cents.*

**AMPELOPSIS.**

These are deservedly among the most popular vines grown for covering walls and arbors. The foliage is very beautiful in autumn. Seed should be planted early in spring in a hot-bed, and the plants transplanted when well established to the place where they are to grow. The Ampelopsis clings very firmly to the side of a house or wall, and will soon form a most perfect mass of foliage, the leaves overlapping each other with great regularity. In autumn this unique plant assumes its greatest beauty, the whole foliage being a glowing mass of the brightest shades of crimson, scarlet and orange. 30 to 50 feet. Hardy perennial. *Pkt., 35 seeds, 4 cents.*



ARISTOLOCHIA.

### ARISTOLOCHIA. Dutchman's Pipe.

A beautiful and rapid climber producing heart-shaped leaves and singular syphon-shaped flowers. It attains a height of thirty or more feet with large leaves ten inches across; the curious pipe-shaped flowers which are three to four inches long have given this plant its name. *Pkt., 10 seeds, 6 cents.*

### ACACIA.

Is grown because of the beauty of its delicate fern-like foliage. It is very easy of cultivation and should be grown as a pot plant in the north. In the southern states many of the varieties will be found sufficiently hardy to withstand the winter. The seeds had best be soaked in hot water several hours and then sown in sandy peat. When large enough, pot off, and grow in a shady location until well established. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Tender perennial. *Mixed. Pkt., 20 seeds, 4 cents.*

FLOWERS IN THE HOME Always indicate  
the Presence of Comfort and Culture.  
Flowers from our seeds brighten 100,000  
homes.      ✨      ✨      ✨



ALYSSUM.

### ALYSSUM.

No garden is complete without plenty of Alyssum; a small quantity is but an aggravation. It should be planted in solid masses or in long borders. It is so delicate and small that to obtain its full beauty, and the full enjoyment of its fragrance, it should be planted in such quantities as will give it the effect of a pure white sheet in contrast to the more brilliant flowers immediately adjoining. The delicate honey-like fragrance of its small white flowers make it valuable for cutting and for growing in pots. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Annual.

*ALYSSUM, Sweet. Pkt., 300 seeds, 3 cents.*

*ALYSSUM, Little Gem. Pkt., 300 seeds, 4 cents.*

Madam Gunther's New Hybrid Nasturtium  
should be grown in every flower garden.

See page 21.

Belleville, Ont., Canada, March 15, 1899.

Gents: You will please find enclosed an order for seeds which you will kindly forward to my address. Your Sweet Peas have given me great satisfaction for the past three years. I have never seen their equal. I remain,

Yours truly,

E. F. HUBBARD.



ANTIRRHINUM.

### ANTIRRHINUM. Snap Dragon.

The Snap Dragon is a plant whose growth and bloom is all but absolutely certain. Unsurpassed for summer and autumn flowering. It will produce fine and more lasting bloom in a rather poor, dry soil. Is able to stand the winter if given a slight covering. Our strain of Antirrhinum seed we guarantee to produce plants which show an unusual variety of brilliant colors. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Tender perennial.

*TOM THUMB;* about six inches high.  
*Mixed Colors. Pkt., 400 seeds, 4 cts.*  
*FINE MIXED. Pkt., 400 seeds, 5 cents.*

38 Trinity Place,

New Rochelle, N. Y., Feb. 28, 1899.

Dear Sirs: Enclosed find order for seeds. The Aster Seeds which I purchased from you last spring were the best Asters I ever grew. They were cheap and as good as expensive ones that I purchased once. I shall recommend them to anyone. Yours truly,

W. CHASE CROSEY

# ASTERS.

## ASTER—Improved Fire King. THE BEST SCARLET ASTER EVER PRODUCED.

This Aster is of a deeper and brighter color than any other Aster grown, and is, without doubt, the best Aster there is to-day. It is very compact in growth, with large, beautiful in-curved flowers. Suitable for house culture. Height, 12 inches. *Pkt., 150 seeds, 7 cents.*

## ASTER—Snow Queen. THE BEST WHITE ASTER GROWN.

Snow Queen is without doubt the best white Aster there is. It grows as a dwarf, bushy plant, very symmetrical in shape, branching freely, and producing great numbers of blossoms. It makes a very superior pot plant. The flowers are of extraordinary size and spotless white. Height, 12 inches. *Pkt., 150 seeds, 7 cents.*

## ASTER—New White Branching.

A very valuable white Aster, blooming late in the season and producing flowers of immense size. It branches freely in every direction and produces a very large number of flowers growing on long, erect, stiff stems. As an Aster for cutting it is unrivaled. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents.*

## ASTER—New Comet.

This is a very beautifully colored Aster, producing large double flowers greatly resembling a Japanese Chrysanthemum, flowers measuring from  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter. Mixed Colors. *Pkt., 75 seeds, 4 cents.*

## THE YELLOW ASTER.

This new Aster is of the quilled type. The form of the flower is double and a perfect ball. The quills are close together and of the brightest SULPHUR HUE, not a mere indication of color as in all former yellow Asters. The flowers are borne upon long, erect stems, suitable for cutting. *Pkt., 75 seeds, 5 cents.*

## ASTER—Prince of Wales.

A free branching, deep crimson-red Aster. The flowers are very large and perfect. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents.*

## ASTER—New Victoria.

The Victoria Asters are famous for their magnificent flowers, with overlapping petals. These varieties will produce a great range of color and shading. 20 COLORS MIXED. *Pkt., 150 seeds, 5 cents.*

## SNOW QUEEN.



## ASTER—Finest Mixed.

This mixture is made up of nearly all the desirable named varieties, and will secure to the grower many valuable plants without the expense of buying separate packages of seed. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 5 cents.*

## ASTER—Good Mixed.

A very good mixture of all the old standard varieties of well known Asters. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 3 cents.*





BROWALIA.

**BROWALIA.**

Handsone and profuse bloomer, used freely both for house culture and out door planting. Very easily grown, and of much value for cut flowers. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Half hardy annual. 18 inches. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 5 cents.*

Schaghticoke, N. Y., Feb. 24, 1899.  
Dear Sirs: Please find enclosed order for flower seeds. I had very good success with the seeds I bought from you last year and always take the pleasure of recommending you to my friends. Yours truly,

MISS HATTIE M. KEYES.

Parmitche, Miss., Jan. 27, 1899.  
Dear Sirs: If I did not think your seeds good I would not order for the third time. Enclosed find my order for seeds.

Yours respectfully,

ELLA RINEHART.

Peach, Iowa, Feb. 1, 1899.  
Dear Sirs: I hear your flowers highly praised. Enclosed find an order for seeds. Yours respectfully,

MRS. M. C. BAKER.



BRACHYCOME. Swan River Daisy. + BEGONIA FLOWERING.

**BRACHYCOME.****Swan River Daisy.**

Free flowering, dwarf growing plants, covered during the greater part of the summer with flowers. Suitable for edging in a small bed or for pot culture.

**BRACHYCOME IBERIDIFOLIA. MIXED**, light blue and white. *Pkt., 300 seeds, 4 cents.*

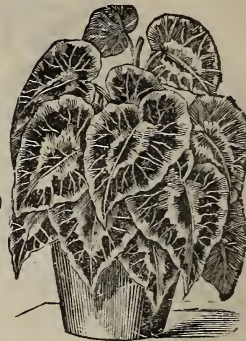
Jackson, Ohio, Jan. 14, 1899.  
Dear Sirs: The seeds we received from you last year were very satisfactory.

Yours very respectfully,

SAMUEL STERNBERGER.

Rahway, N. J., Jan. 16, 1899.  
Dear Sirs: I find pleasure to announce that I think your seeds are the best seeds I ever planted and I enclose an order for some more seeds which I ask you to send as soon as possible. Yours respectfully,

HERBERT BROWN.

**BEGONIA REX.****BEGONIA.**

**BEGONIA VERNON.** A new variety of Begonia recently introduced. When planted out, or when grown as a pot plant, is equally prolific in bloom. Plants commence blooming soon after planting and continue to bloom until frost. It is also highly prized because of its rich, glossy green foliage, often shaded by deep bronze. The flowers are at first a deep red, when fully opened changing to a clear rose. Will, when better known become very popular as a bedding plant. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 4 cents.*

**BEGONIA REX—Fancy leaved varieties.** This variety of Begonia is highly prized because of its rich and beautifully colored foliage. It is a very strong grower when well established. Should be grown as a pot plant. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. *Pkt., 35 seeds, 12 cents.*

**BEGONIA—Tuberous Rooted.** Single mixed from finest colors. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 7 cents.*

**BEGONIA—Tuberous Rooted.** Double mixed from best and finest colors. *Pkt., 45 seeds, 8 cents.*

Frackville, Pa., March 7, 1899.  
Dear Sirs: We used some of your seeds last year and were well satisfied with them. Thank you for the opportunity of making a little money go a great way when buying seed from the "Crocker Flower Seed Co." Yours truly,

MRS. H. A. FRACK.





**BACHELOR'S BUTTON—Double.**  
**BACHELOR'S BUTTON.**

A perfectly hardy border plant, well known and almost universally grown. It thrives well in poor soil and needs but little care and attention. Its flowers are brilliant and handsome, of all varieties and combinations of white, pink, purple and parti-colored. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days. Hardy annual.

**CENTAUREA CYANUS.** Double mixed. *Pkt., 150 seeds, 4 cents.*

**CENTAUREA CYANUS.** Single mixed. *Pkt., 150 seeds, 3 cents.*

**CENTAUREA CYANUS.** Kaiser Wilhelm, of a rich deep blue color. *Pkt., 150 seeds, 4 cents.*

2309 Sidney St., St. Louis, Mo., March 9, 1899.

Dear Sirs: Have received your catalogue and thank you very much for it. I was very successful with your seeds last year and would like the varieties named on the order sheet which I enclose.

Respectfully, MISS LOUISE JUNG.

DID YOU EVER buy your  
flower seeds of an exclu-  
sively flower seed house?



**BRYONOPSIS.**  
**BRYONOPSIS.**

A beautiful climbing plant of the gourd species, with pale green foliage, and bearing green fruit which, as they ripen, change to a showy scarlet striped with white. Half hardy annual.

*Pkt., 15 seeds, 3 cents.*

Read what our  
customers say  
about our seeds.



**BUTTERFLY FLOWER, Schizanthus.**  
**BUTTERFLY FLOWER.**  
**Schizanthus.**

A very satisfactory plant, bearing hundreds of blossoms, and growing about two feet in height. May be taken up in autumn and treated as a pot plant. Covered at all times with its beautiful flowers, which are produced in a great variety of shades and colors; their resemblance to a butterfly has given the plant its name. Easily grown and very ornamental. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Half hardy annual.

*MIXED. Pkt., 200 seeds, 3 cents.*

210 State St., Alpena, Mich., April 21, 1899.

Dear Sirs: I received your catalogue, which reminded me that I had not yet sent you my order for flower seeds, which have always proven such a success, that without hesitation send you the enclosed order.

Yours truly, ANNABEL MYERS.



CAMELLIA BALSAM.

**BALSAM—Lady Slipper.**

A plant easily grown from seed planted in the open ground. Its flowers are of the most delicate and beautiful form and colors imaginable, showing all shades of white, crimson, scarlet, rose and purple, spotted and striped. Each single flower perfect in itself and much resembling in all but size the most beautifully tinted rose. Our Balsam seed is of a superior strain saved from the most perfect flowers, and is certain to give the utmost satisfaction, and are of such good quality that with proper treatment single flowers will rarely be produced. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Tender annual. 2 feet.

**CAMELLIA FLOWERED BALSAM.** Selected mixture, 10 separate colors. Pkt., 50 seeds, 5 cents.

**FRENCH MIXED.** Pkt., 50 seeds, 3 cents.



BALOON VINE.

**BALOON VINE.**

A rapid and graceful climber, remarkable for its inflated and membranous capsules and sometimes called Love-in-a-Puff. The flowers are very small. The seed is round and marked with a white heart-shaped spot, and about the size of the Sweet Pea seed. Sow in open ground after danger from frost is past, providing suitable supports for the growing plant. Tender annual. 6 feet. Pkt., 30 seeds, 5 cents.

**CARNATION, GERMAN, CHOICE DOUBLE.** Mixed. Pkt., 60 seeds, 5 cents.  
**CARNATION, GERMAN, EXTRA FINE.** Double Mixed. Pkt., 50 seeds, 8 cents.  
**CARNATION, GRENADIN.** Double Scarlet. Pkt., 50 seeds, 6 cents.  
**CARNATION, GRENADIN.** White. Pkt., 50 seeds, 6 cents.



CARNATION MARGUERITE.

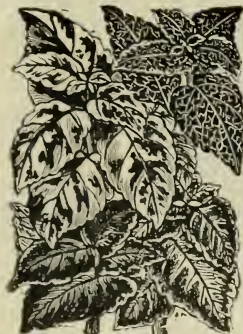
**Crocker's Early Blooming CARNATION MARGUERITE.**

The flowers of this new and beautiful race of Carnations are unusually large and of fine form. Unlike most Carnations, the calyx of the Marguerite never bursts. They are the most useful and important of the Carnations, having many points of merit, among which may be mentioned their great range of color, their habit of coming into bloom soon after planting, their great abundance of flowers, and the large percentage of double blooms secured from seeds. It is equally as valuable for pots as for the open ground. The plants are dwarf, compact and robust in habit. Pkt., 75 seeds, 6 cents.

**CARNATIONS.**

**SPECIAL OFFER** One packet of each of the above five varieties of Carnations for 25 cents. ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦





COLEUS

### COLEUS.

The most ornamental of the foliage plants, and with its richly variegated foliage of crimson, maroon, yellow and green is very effective. It is also very satisfactory for ribbon and carpet bedding, and being easily grown from seed is one of the most popular plants of its class. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Tender perennial.

**COLEUS.** New Hybrids Mixed. *Pkt., 225 seeds, 5 cents.*



COCKSCOMB.

### COCKSCOMB.

A rapid growing, free blooming graceful plant. The bright-colored combs always attract much attention. Can be grown as a house plant. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days. Annual.

**QUEEN OF THE DWARFS.** 8 inches high, producing large fine heads, 10 to 12 inches across. *Pkt., 150 seeds, 4 cents.*

**MIXED.** Red, yellow and orange. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 3 cents.*



COBOEA SCANDENS.

### COBOEA SCANDENS.

This is one of the strongest and freest growing of climbers. The vine is covered at all times with beautiful large bell-shaped flowers, an inch and a half across and two inches in length, green at first, but soon changing to a deep violet blue. In good soil Coboea will often grow thirty-feet high, branching freely and covering a large surface. Plants commence to flower when quite small, and continue in bloom until killed by frost. Put the seeds in moist earth, edge down and do not water again until the plants appear, unless the soil gets very dry. May be potted and grown in the house during the winter. Germinates in from 15 to 20 days. Tender perennial. *Pkt., 15 seeds, 4 cents.*

### CALENDULA—Pot Marigold.

The flowers are very large and very double, and produced in great profusion for several months. Sow the seeds early in the open ground. The flowers are dried and used as an herb for flavoring. Germinates in from 7 to 10 days.

**DOUBLE YELLOW.** *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

**CALENDULA.** DOUBLE WHITE. Differs from the above only in color. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

Crocker's Northern Grown Seeds are the Best.



**CANNAS.**

The Canna is chiefly prized for the beautiful and stately effect it produces when grown in beds. It has greatly increased in popularity in the past few years, owing to the fact that it is not so difficult to grow as has been commonly supposed. The leaves are of various shades of green, purple and red. Will bloom the first year from seed, which are usually sown singly in small pots early in the spring and planted out after danger from frost is past. Soak the seeds in warm water several hours before planting.

**CROZY'S NEW DWARF CANNAS.** Pkt., 20 seeds, 4 cents.

**CANNA, MIXED.** Pkt., 30 seeds, 4 cents.

**CYCLAMEN.**

The plants are strong, healthy and beautiful; the flowers have the delicate shadings, color and form of the orchid. The leaves are of beautiful shiny green, very thick in texture. They will produce flowering bulbs the first season if the seeds are sown very early. Half hardy perennial.

**CYCLAMEN, GIGANTEUM.** Pkt., 15 seeds, 12 cents.

**CYCLAMEN, PERSICUM.** A variety of great beauty and many colors. Pkt., 25 seeds, 8 cents.

**CENTROSEMA—Grandiflora.**

The flowers are large, purple and pea-shaped, from one and one-half to two and one-half inches in diameter. They will bloom in June, July and August. The buds and back of flowers are pure white. Perennial. 5 feet.

Pkt., 30 seeds, 6 cents.

**CANARY BIRD FLOWER.**

A rapid growing summer climber with canary yellow flowers. If the seeds are planted by the side of an arbor or trellis it will attain a height of 20 feet. Blossoms from June until frost comes. Tender annual. 20 feet. Pkt., 20 seeds, 4 cents.

**CHRYSANTHEMUM.**

The Annual Chrysanthemum is distinct from the autumn flowering varieties; they bloom all summer, and are excellent for pot culture. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days.

**ECLIPSE.** An exceedingly showy variety; pure golden yellow, with bright purplish center on the florets, the disc being dark brown. Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.

**GOLDEN FEATHER.** Foliage golden yellow; flowers white, with crimson ring inner circle of canary, maroon eye. Pkt., 50 seeds, 5 cts.

**FRUTESCENS GRANDIFLORUM.** This is the Paris Daisy or Marguerite. It is a perennial species. Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents.



CHRYSANTHEMUM.



CROZY'S NEW DWARF CANNAS.



COCCINEA INDICA.

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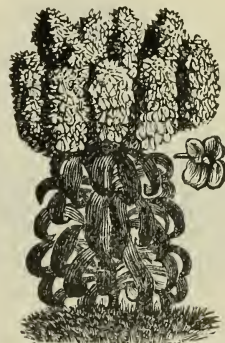
A very ornamental climber, producing ivy-like foliage. Well suited for arbors and trellises. The small flowers are followed by the fruit, which measures about two inches in length, and soon turns to a brilliant scarlet spotted with white. Cocchineia is a member of the gourd family and one of the best of the species, the flower and fruit being produced in abundance. Half hardy perennial. *Pkt., 25 seeds, 4 cents.*



CLEOME  
PUNGENS

### CLEOME PUNGENS. The Giant Spider Plant.

A very free blooming plant, producing flowers in immense spikes two to three feet long. The plant commences to bloom when very small, and is constantly covered with its brilliant flowers until destroyed by the frost. The plant is very showy and attractive, and is suitable for the centers of beds or wherever a tall growing plant is desired. The fact that it can withstand the strongest wind, together with its remarkable ease of culture, place it among the favorites of all flower growers. It is one of the best of honey-producing plants, and should have a place in the garden of every bee keeper. Our illustration shows to perfection the manner of its growth. It germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Annual. *Pkt., 250 seeds, 4 cents.*



CANDYTUFT.

### CANDYTUFT.

Indispensable plant for cutting. Universally known and cultivated. All varieties look best when grown in beds or masses. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Hardy annual.

*CANDYTUFT, Purple. Pkt., 150 seeds, 4 cents.*

*CANDYTUFT, White. Pkt., 150 seeds, 3 cents.*

*ROCKET, White. Pkt., 150 seeds, 3 cents.*

*EMPRESS. Mammoth White. Pkt., 200 seeds, 4 cents.*

*CRIMSON. Pkt., 200 seeds, 6 cents.*

*FINE MIXED. Pkt., 200 seeds, 3 cts.*

### CALAMPELIS.

A beautiful tender climber, with delicate foliage and bright orange blossoms produced in racemes. It is a very free bloomer, but does not commence to blossom until late in the season. Suitable for verandas and trellises. Tender perennial. 15 feet. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 5 cents.*





COSMOS.

**COSMOS.**

This is a rapid growing autumn flowering plant, producing large bushes seven feet high. They begin to bloom in August, and from that time until November each plant is covered with a mass of bloom. The flowers are two inches in diameter, and resemble single dahlias. The colors are pure white, bright pink, flesh colored and deep rose, each having a bright yellow center. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days.

**PURE WHITE.** Pkt., 75 seeds, 5 cents.

**FINE MIXED.** Pkt., 125 seeds, 5 cents.

**CYPRESS VINE—Impomoea Quamoclit.**

A beautiful climber, with delicate dark green, feathery foliage and abundance of bright, star-shaped rose, scarlet and white blossoms, which the grower cannot but admire. If the plants are grown in a rich soil a very luxuriant growth will be obtained and the vines will grow much taller than in a poor soil. Soak the seeds in water several hours before planting. It grows about fifteen feet high. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days.

**MIXED COLORS.** Pkt., 50 seeds, 3 cents.



CINERARIA.

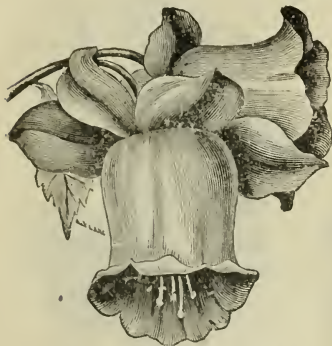
**CINERARIA.**

The Cineraria is usually grown as a pot plant in the house, for which purpose it is very satisfactory. It is easily raised from seed, and is valued both for flowers and foliage. When well grown it is wonderfully attractive. The flowers are produced in large clusters on long stems, held well above the luxurious foliage, producing a very beautiful effect. The flowers are crimson, magenta, violet and purple. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Tender perennial. 18 inches.

**CINERARIA, HYBRIDA.** Large flowered. Pkt., 75 seeds, 12 cents.

**CINERARIA, CHOICE MIXED.** Pkt., 100 seeds, 8 cents.





**CAMPANULA**—Canterbury Bells.

## **CAMPANULA.** **Canterbury Bells.**

The bell-shaped flowers of the Campanula, their varied and beautiful colors, combined with the strong and stately growth of the plant, have made it deservedly popular. Our seeds are saved from the best double flowered specimens, and will produce a fair percentage of double blooms. The Campanula blossoms are very ornamental when cut and used in bouquets with other flowers. Germinates in from 10 to 12 days. Perennial.

**SINGLE MIXED.** Pkt., 200 seeds, 3 cents.

**DOUBLE MIXED.** Pkt., 200 seeds, 4 cents.

## **COLLINSIA.**

It is a free flowering hardy annual, the flower stalks being one foot to eighteen inches in height. Flowers are produced in whorls and are very handsome and interesting. Seed should be sown in the open ground in the spring. Pkt., 300 seeds, 5 cents.



**CALCEOLARIA**—Hybrida.

## **CALCEOLARIA**—Hybrida.

This species of Calceolaria is the most brilliant and showy of any. The flowers are large and variously spotted. May be grown in pots in the house or garden. Our seed is from the finest importation. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. **MIXED COLORS.** Pkt., 150 seeds, 8 cts.

## **DAISY.** Bellis.

The Daisy is a very profuse bloomer from the early spring, and in a cool, moist location, may be kept in bloom for a great length of time.

The seed of this favorite spring bloomer should be sown early in the hotbed or house. When large enough transplant to a rich, cool, partly-shaded location. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Half hardy perennial.

**DAISY, SNOWBALL.** The finest of all the Daisies. The flowers are very large, pure white, and perfectly double. The stems are long and stiff, making the flowers valuable for bouquet work. Pkt., 150 seeds, 6 cents.

**DOUBLE WHITE.** Pkt., 150 seeds, 5 cts.

**DOUBLE RED.** Pkt., 60 seeds, 7 cents.

**DOUBLE MIXED.** Pkt., 300 seeds, 5 cts.



**CALLIOPSIS.**

## **CALLIOPSIS.**

Easily grown from seed. The flowers are of various shades of crimson, yellow, orange and rich reddish brown. Sow seed in compact groups where plants are to grow. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Hardy annual. 36 inches.

**MIXED COLORS.** Pkt., 300 seeds, 3 cents.

## **DATURA CORNUCOPIA.**

### **Horn of Plenty.**

This plant is of a very robust habit; branches are very numerous, growing from three to four feet in every direction. The leaves are large, and of a dark green color. The flowers are trumpet shaped, measuring from eight to ten inches in length, and from five to seven inches across the mouth, and form three distinct flowers, growing each within the other. The mouth of corolla is a most delicate white, beautifully contrasted and marbled with royal purple on the outside. A single plant will easily produce from two hundred to three hundred fragrant blossoms during the season, followed by large thorny seed vessels, which add greatly to the beauty of the plant. It is of the easiest culture; should be planted at the end of May in a warm rich soil in the open ground. Germinates in from 12 to 15 days. Pkt., 20 seeds, 4 cents.



DAHLIA.

**DAHLIA.**

Can be grown from seed as easily and much more cheaply than from bulbs, and a greater variety and range of color will be secured. We recommend a trial of these seeds to secure new and choice varieties. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days.

**DAHLIA, CHOICE MIXED DOUBLE.** This mixture of seed will produce a great variety of colors. *Pkt., 30 seeds, 3 cents.*

**DAHLIA, NEW STRIPED SINGLE.** Many prefer the single dahlia and for such we have the best single seed to be obtained. *Pkt., 30 seeds, 3 cents.*

**EUPHORBIA HETEROPHYLLA.****Mexican Fire Plant.**

These branching plants, growing from two to three feet high, have smooth, glossy leaves. The plants are at first entirely green, but later producing greenish-white flowers at the end of each branch. Should be started early or it will not be fully matured before frost. Annual. *Pkt., 50 seeds, 4 cents.*



DIANTHUS.

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The varieties of Dianthus, known as Chinese Pinks and Japanese Pinks, are among the most attractive and popular of our garden flowers, and have given much satisfaction wherever grown. The plants bloom throughout the entire summer, and also the second season if protected through the winter. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days.

**DIANTHUS, THE BRIDE.** New white, with purple centers. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents.*

**DIANTHUS, CRIMSON BELLE.** Brilliant dark red. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents.*

**DIANTHUS, EASTERN QUEEN.** An exquisite rose color. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 6 cents.*

**DIANTHUS, CHINENSIS.** Best double varieties. Mixed. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

**DIANTHUS, DOUBLE IMPERIAL PINK.** Mixed. *Pkt., 150 seeds, 6 cents.*

**DIANTHUS, LACINIATUS.** Single mixed. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*



ESCHSCHOLTZIA, or California Poppy.

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The state flower of California. Very easily grown from seed. The leaves are of a grayish-green color, finely cut and divided. Large yellow, orange and white flowers. Every flower garden should have a bed of these beautiful flowers. Seeds should be sown where the plants are to remain. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Annual. 12 inches.

**FINE MIXED.** *Pkt., 225 seeds, 3 cents.*

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Produce

Flower Gardens.



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FLOWER SEEDS EXCLUSIVELY.



FUCHSIA.

## FUCHSIA.

Our seeds of this beautiful plant have been saved from a splendid collection of named sorts. Sow in March in shallow pots and transplant when large enough. They require a light, rich soil, and should be grown as a pot plant, placed in a sheltered border out doors in summer, and carried into the house in winter. Protect from mid-day sun and strong winds; water freely.

### DOUBLE AND SINGLE.

Mixed. *Pkt., 20 seeds, 8 cents.*

## FUCHSIA PROCUMBENS, or Trailing Fuchsia.

This is one of the most delicate and attractive of the trailing plants; for hanging baskets it is unexcelled. Its beautiful foliage, delicate flowers, and large, bright red berries produce a very striking and brilliant effect when seen hanging in verandas or windows. *Pkt., 16 seeds, 8 cents.*



FORGET-ME-NOT—Myosotis Victoria.

## FORGET-ME-NOT. Myosotis Victoria.

All the varieties of Myosotis are extremely valuable, but from them all we have selected the "Victoria," as having points of excellence which make it the most valuable for carpet bedding, borders and massing, or for growing in pots. The flowers are of a beautiful azure blue color. It forms a round, compact, bushy plant about six inches high. Sow the seed in the open border where the plants are to remain, or if wanted in bloom early the seed may be sown in the hot-bed or window box and transplanted when a good growth is established. If the soil is well drained and the plants given a slight covering in winter they will thrive for several seasons. Germinates in from 12 to 15 days. Perennial. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*



FEVERFEW—Double.

## FEVERFEW—Double.

Feverfew is an erect, bushy herb of the aster family, and was formerly cultivated for its tonic properties, but is now cultivated exclusively for the beauty of its large, double, white flowers. It is an extremely free bloomer, whether grown in pots or in the garden, and with its double pinnated leaves, is very decorative. When well grown it attains a height of about eighteen inches. If given a slight covering it will survive the winter. Germinates in from 10 to 12 days. *Pkt., 350 seeds, 5 cents.*

Bloxom, Va., Jan. 28, 1899.

Dear Sirs: Seeds bought of you last year were all good. My cockseeds were simply splendid. I wish you could have seen them.

Yours,

O. A. ACKLEY.



**FOXCLOVE—Digitalis.**

A very ornamental and stately growing plant, with beautifully mottled thimble-shaped flowers produced in great profusion, and on spikes two feet long. These long flower spikes, borne on stems, which in their turn are three feet long, produce a striking effect which is unrivaled. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Biennial. *Pkt., 500 seeds, 4 cents.*

**FOUR O'CLOCK—Marvel of Peru.**

This is a very free-flowering garden favorite; the flowers grow in clusters, open in the afternoon and wither the next morning. Blooms the first season from seed. The roots can be preserved during the winter. Half hardy perennial. *FINE MIXED. Pkt., 25 seeds, 3 cents.*

**GOURDS.**

The ornamental gourds are prized for the various fantastic forms of the fruit. Germinates in from 12 to 15 days. *FINE MIXED. Pkt., 40 seeds, 4 cents.*

**CODETIA.**

These plants are valuable because of their profuse and constant blooming. The flowers are large and richly colored, displaying the many tints from white to carmine and purple. Annual. *Pkt., 250 seeds, 3 cents.*

**GOMPHRENA—Globe Amaranth.**

So called from the globular shape of the flowers, which effect is produced by the in-curving of the petals. If cut when fully matured will make a useful everlasting which retain their beauty for years. *MIXED, all colors. Pkt., 125 seeds, 3 cents.*

**GLOXINIA.**

Gloxinia is grown as a pot plant shaded from direct sun-light. The leaves are soft and thick, and often variegated. The flowers are large and bell-shaped, of all shades of white, crimson, pink, lavender, deep blue, marbled and spotted. Water freely. Germinates in from 15 to 20 days. *Pkt., 75 seeds, 8 cents.*

**GILIA.**

Valued both for foliage and flowers. Flowers are white, lilac and rose color. It is recommended for beds and rockeries. Sow seeds where plants are to remain. Hardy annual. 2 feet. *MIXED. Pkt., 200 seeds, 3 cents.*

**NEW DOUBLE GAILLARDIA.****New Double Gaillardia.**

A very desirable and new sort, having the same general characteristics as the single, except that it produces very fine, large double flowers. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. *FINEST DOUBLE. Mixed. Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*

**GAILLARDIA.  
Blanket Flower.**

Gaillardias have long been great favorites with all flower growers, and the past few years have seen them greatly improved. An exceedingly profuse bloomer with large showy flowers in various shades, blending one with the other in a rich and handsome manner. The plants should be given plenty of room, and they will keep in bloom the entire summer. They are easily grown, and require no special location or soil. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Annual. *FINE MIXED. Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

Get up a Club Order and earn Premiums.

**GERANIUM.****GERANIUM.**

Almost every flower garden and every window garden has one or more varieties of Geranium. No plant will thrive so well with so little care. The most popular plant grown. So well known that description is unnecessary. It is strongly recommended that persons who have for years grown this plant from cuttings try its propagation from seeds, thereby securing many new and novel variations. Our seeds have been saved from nearly all the named varieties, and will produce pleasing results. See that the pots are not too large, as the plants bloom best when the pot is completely filled with roots. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. *GERANIUM. FINEST MIXED. Pkt., 60 seeds, 8 cents.*

*GERANIUM. GOOD MIXED. Pkt., 60 seeds, 5 cents.*



HOLLYHOCK.

## HOLLYHOCK.

Their long spikes of rose-shaped flowers, showing all shades of yellow, rose, buff, carmine, scarlet, creamy white, purple and lilac cannot be excelled. Our Hollyhock seeds have been carefully selected from the largest double flowers. To carry the old plants through the winter they should be protected much the same as strawberry plants. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days. Biennial.

## NEW FRINGED MAMMOTH HOLLYHOCK ALLECHENY.

This grand new Hollyhock is a decided improvement over the old fashioned variety. Its great merit is the fine transparent, fringed Chrysanthemum shaped flowers, which look as if they were made up of crushed silk; so fine are these flowers in texture that one would never suspect them to be related to the old style hollyhock. These hollyhocks are seldom less than five inches and the most of them over five, and many as large as seven inches across. These hollyhocks can withstand our winters, and bloom continually through the hottest weather in the summer, from July until frost. They will bloom continually all the year around in the south. *Pkt., 50 seeds, 6 cents.*

## HOLLYHOCK, Fine Double.

Our own importation from an eminent grower in Germany. *MIXED. Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents.*

## HONEYSUCKLE.

A good variety of free blooming Honeysuckle makes a very desirable addition to the flower garden. Our French is a very valuable and desirable sort. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. *FRENCH. Pkt., 50 seeds, 4 cts.*

## HELICHRYSUM.

An everlasting, having large, full, double, bright yellow and scarlet flowers, variously shaded. The plant is highly prized as an ornament in the garden, and the flowers, when dried, are unexcelled. In order to have the blooms retain their full beauty when dried they should be cut before fully expanded. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 3 cents.*

## HELIOTROPE.

On account of its exquisite fragrance and the duration of its bloom, this plant is widely grown. It does equally as well as a bedding plant or as a pot plant for the house in winter. It requires a light, rich soil, and where such is obtained it is very easily grown. Germinates in from 15 to 20 days. Half hardy perennial; 1 foot. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 6 cents.*

## HIBISCUS. Crimson Eye.

This species of Hibiscus comes true from seed, produces a strong growth with dark red stems and foliage; flowers often measure twenty inches in circumference; their color is of the purest white, in the center of which is a large spot of deep crimson. Must be seen to be fully appreciated. A well developed plant will produce several hundred of these flowers in a season. Will grow in any kind of soil, in any locality. Will bloom the first year from seeds sown in the open ground. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Hardy annual. *Pkt., 20 seeds, 4 cents.*

## JAPANESE HOP.

One of the most easily grown climbers; can be sown in the open ground in the spring and will obtain an immense growth very quickly. A very popular foliage plant suitable for covering verandas and trellises. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. *Pkt., 40 seeds, 5 cents.*



IMPATIENS SULTANI.

## IMPATIENS SULTANI.

The plant continues in bloom during the entire summer, producing flowers of a brilliant rosy scarlet color; is very easily cultivated and very showy. Germinates in from 15 to 20 days. Tender perennial.

*Pkt., 20 seeds, 4 cents.*

## ICE PLANT.

A creeping plant, very popular and ornamental. Its chief attraction is its curious, large, wavy leaves, covered with frost-like protuberances, which glisten like ice in the hot sunshine. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Tender annual trailer, one-half foot.

*Pkt., 225 seeds, 3 cents.*

We are Headquarters for Sweet Peas. See pages 28 and 29.

**LINUM—Crimson Flax.**

## **LINUM. Crimson Flax.**

These plants do well in any garden, and produce a profusion of bloom without special care or attention. They are readily grown from seed, which should be sown very early in the spring where the plants are intended to flower. Hardy annual. 18 inches. *Pkt., 150 seeds, 3 cents.*

## **LYCHNIS. Flame Flower.**

Is very handsome for massing in beds and borders, producing brilliant scarlet flowers throughout the entire summer, in great numbers and of large size. Should be sown very early in the open ground. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Hardy perennial. 2 feet. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*

## **LANTANA.**

One of the most popular shrubby plants, producing clusters of verberna-like flowers in pink, yellow, orange and white, which are very sweet scented. Germinates in from 12 to 15 days. Tender perennial. 2 feet. *MIXED. Pkt., 35 seeds, 4 cents.*

## **LATHYRUS. Perennial Peas.**

They are fully as beautiful as the sweet peas but lack the fragrance of that charming flower. They bear magnificent clusters of flowers, bloom early in the spring, and will last from year to year with proper attention. *Pkt., 40 seeds, 3 cents.*

## **LOBELIA.**

Grows as a trailing plant or as a dwarf compact bush. It will be found of much value for borders, hanging baskets and vases. Blooms from June to November. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Tender annual.

**LOBELIA. Crystal Palace.** A beautiful new variety recently introduced, the finest and most desirable sort grown. 6 inches. *Pkt., 300 seeds, 3 cents.*

## **LINARIA—Kenilworth Ivy.**

This well known trailer is especially adapted to rock work and hanging baskets. Nothing is more satisfactory for a drooping plant, as the flowers are very pretty, though small. It is very easily grown from seed. Germinates in from 10 to 12 days. Perennial trailing plant. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

## **LARKSPUR, or Delphinium.**

These plants produce flowers of remarkable beauty, and are very effective when grown in gardens with other plants. Annual. **BEST COLORS.** Mixed. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

**DELPHINIUM FORMOSUM.** A hardy perennial variety, producing flowering branches often four feet in height, with spikes of flowers six inches and more in length. A very strong grower, and should be seen in every flower garden. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

**MIGNONETTE.**

## **MIGNONETTE.**

Mignonette may be handled in such a manner as to produce a succession of flowers throughout the entire year. It is best to sow in pots from month to month during the fall and early winter and grow in a rather cool temperature until the buds are well formed, after which time the heat should be increased. For blooming in the garden the seeds should be sown early in the open ground and a profusion of bloom will be secured through all the summer. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Hardy annual.

**MIGNONETTE, QUAKER CITY.** Flower spikes are of great substance, very full and of a handsome golden red color. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 8 cents.*

**MIGNONETTE, MACHET.** Plants are dwarf and vigorous, producing large spikes of sweet scented red flowers. Fine for pot culture. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cts.*

**MIGNONETTE, PARSON'S WHITE.** The very best white. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 4 cents.*

**MIGNONETTE, GOLDEN QUEEN.** A very fine new and distinct variety, with flowers of a golden hue. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 3 cents.*

**SWEET MIGNONETTE.** Well known fragrant hardy annual. *Pkt., 225 seeds, 3 cents.*

**MIGNONETTE, NEW HYBRID SPIRAL.** Robust plants with long spikes. *Pkt., 200 seeds, 3 cts.*





MIMULUS.

**MIMULUS.**

Strikingly handsome flowers and almost transparent branches. They will be found extremely easy to cultivate, and when sown early will bloom the first season. Excellent for baskets and pot culture. When planted out they should be so situated as to avoid the direct sunlight. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days.

**MIMULUS, TIGRINUS.** The finest tigered and spotted varieties, and very brilliant colors. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

**MIMULUS, MOSCHATUS,** Musk Plant. Cultivated to secure the musky odor of the plant. Flowers yellow. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

**FREE PREMIUMS.** See page 1.

Our Premiums are the most liberal of any. They amount to over 30 per cent.



MARIGOLD.

**MARIGOLD.**

The old well-known garden favorite. The Marigolds have been constantly improving the past few years in size and doubleness of flowers, and have become almost indispensable. The African varieties are tall while the French varieties are dwarf. The dwarf varieties grow as a compact bush, and for most purposes are the more desirable. Blooms until killed by frost. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days. Hardy annual.

**MARIGOLD, LEGION OF HONOR.** A French variety. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*

**MARIGOLD, EL DORADO.** Produces large bushy plants, covered during the entire summer with an infinite number of its large and perfectly double flowers. Flowers are three to four inches in diameter and of primrose, lemon, golden yellow and deep orange in color. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

**MARIGOLD, FRENCH MIXED.** *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

**MARIGOLD DWARF, LITTLE BROWNIE.** A beautiful and delicate single flowering pigmy Marigold. 6 inches high. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*



MIMOSA—Sensitive Plant.

**MIMOSA.**  
**Sensitive Plant.**

A curious and interesting plant, with pinkish white flowers. The leaves close and droop when touched or shaken. Require a mixed soil of peat, loam and sand. Tender annual. 2 feet. *Pkt., 14 seeds, 3 cents.*

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MOMORDICA—Balsam Apple.

## MOMORDICA. Balsam Apple.

This annual climber is fine for trellises, fences or stumps. It produces an egg-shaped fruit which when ripe, bursts open, scattering the seeds and showing a brilliant carmine interior. Half hardy annual. *Pkt., 15 seeds, 4 cents.*

## MAURANDIA.

This tender perennial climber is well adapted for the house or out of door purposes. Set in a border with a little frame to attach their tendrils, they will be covered with flowers all the season, of purple, white and rose colors. Should be started in a hot-bed or house. Growing to a height of six feet. Germinates in from 12 to 15 days. Perennial. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

## MORNING GLORY.

The common Morning Glory; so well known it needs no description. Covers a veranda or trellis very quickly. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Hardy annual.

*FINEST MIXED, Tall. Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 8 cents.*

*FINEST MIXED, Dwarf. Rich colored, handsome trailing plant, suitable for beds and borders, in which it produces a brilliant effect. Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 8 cents.*

Peru, Ill., Feb. 14, 1899.

Dear Sirs: Your catalogue at hand and was so well pleased with your seeds last summer send you the enclosed order.

Yours truly,

MRS. HATTIE E. LEE.



MORNING GLORY.

## IMPERIAL GIANT JAPANESE MORNING GLORY.

The Imperial Giant Japanese Morning Glory is destined to become one of the most popular of all Morning Glories. Their vast range of colors, markings and shadings, ease of culture, remarkable size of flowers, splendid foliage and duration of bloom have made them very popular with those who have grown them. We offer a strain of seeds that will produce flowers of almost every imaginable color. Mixed double and single. *Pkt., 50 seeds, 5 cents.*

## BRAZILIAN MORNING GLORY.

This new and novel Morning Glory is one of the very finest of the climbers. In addition to the beautiful rose-colored flowers, which are from nine to twelve inches in circumference, it has a leaf eight to twelve inches across and large ornamental and attractive reddish seed pods. It branches in every direction, and covers an arbor or piazza very rapidly. It is very easily grown; adapted to any climate. Give a rich soil. *Pkt., 14 seeds, 7 cents.*

Fort Atkinson, Wis., Jan. 18, 1899.

Dear Sirs: The seeds I got of you last year were VERY GOOD. Every one came up. The Nasturtiums especially were the finest I have seen.

Yours truly, A. C. NOYES.



MOLUCCA BALM—Shell Flower.

## MOLUCCA BALM. Shell Flower.

Commonly called Shell Flower because of the resemblance of its calyx to a shell. It is a very strong grower, and is so completely covered with flowers that the leaves are hardly visible. When the flowers are bruised or broken it gives forth a very strong balmy fragrance. This plant is very curious and attractive, and should be more widely grown. Annual. Three feet. *Pkt., 30 seeds, 4 cents.*

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# **NASTURTIUM COLLECTION:**

One packet each, Madame Gunther's Hybrids, Crystal Palace, Empress of India, Edward Otto, and Regelianum, for 20 cents.



**MADAME GUNTHER'S NEW HYBRID CLIMBING NASTURTIUM.**

## **NASTURTIUM.**

This plant is to be found in every flower garden. Those who have been growing the old sorts for years will look with delight upon the flowers produced from our seeds, as they will show a brilliancy of coloring unsurpassed by any other strain. Plants will do best if the soil is not too rich. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Half hardy annual.

## **MADAME GUNTHER'S NEW HYBRID CLIMBING NASTURTIUM.**

For richness and variety of colors Madame Gunther's New Hybrids have no equals among Nasturtiums. There are shades of rose, salmon, brightest red, pale yellow, either as self colors or spotted and striped. The foliage is mostly dark and contrasts very effectively with the rich colors. They are climbers and free and continuous bloomers.

**MADAME GUNTHER'S NEW HYBRID CLIMBING NASTURTIUM, Mixed Colors.** Pkt., 30 seeds, 5 cents; oz., 14 cents; ¼ lb., 42 cents.

**DWARF NASTURTIUM, CRYSTAL PALACE.** Pkt., 30 seeds, 6 cents; oz., 12 cents.

**DWARF NASTURTIUM, EMPRESS OF INDIA.** Pkt., 30 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 10 cents.

**TALL NASTURTIUM, EDWARD OTTO.** Bronze. Pkt., 30 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 10 cents.

**TALL NASTURTIUM, REGELIANUM.** Pkt., 30 seeds, 6 cents; oz., 12 cents.

All our mixtures are carefully selected from the best named varieties.

**DWARF NASTURTIUM, FINEST MIXED.** From ten named varieties. Pkt., 30 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 10 cents; ¼ lb., 32 cents.

**DWARF NASTURTIUM, GOOD MIXED.** Pkt., 30 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 8 cents; ¼ lb., 24 cents.

**TALL NASTURTIUM, FINEST MIXED.** Pkt., 30 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 10 cents; ¼ lb., 32 cents.

**TALL NASTURTIUM, GOOD MIXED.** Pkt., 30 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 8 cents; ¼ lb., 24 cents.





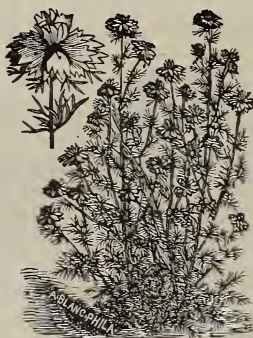
MINA LOBATA.

**MINA LOBATA.**

This Mexican climber produces buds, at first vivid red, which turn to orange yellow just before they open, changing again to a creamy-white shade when in full bloom. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days. Half hardy annual. *Pkt., 18 seeds, 5 cents.*

**NICOTIANA AFFINIS.**

Produces large pure white flowers which remain closed during the day, opening in the evening, and closing late in the morning. Their fragrance is so intense as to be discernible throughout the whole garden. Plants taken up in the fall, cut back and potted will bloom freely all winter in the house. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Half hardy annual. 18 inches. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*



NIGELLA—Love-in-a-Mist.

**NIGELLA. Love-in-a-Mist.**

The blossoms are partly concealed by the luxuriance of foliage, hence the common names, "devil-in-bush" and "lady-in-green." Grown both for beauty of plant and flower. Seeds grow readily and may be sown in the open ground early in the spring. Comes into bloom soon after planting and is in bloom for weeks. Hardy annual. 1 foot. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

**NEMOPHILA.**

Sometimes called Love-in-the-Grove and Baby Eyes. Is a pretty, delicate plant producing blue and white flowers. They do best if sown in a frame and transplanted early, as the hot sun injures the flowers, but do finely all summer if planted in a cool, shady place. Set about six inches apart. Hardy annual. *Pkt., 150 seeds, 4 cents.*

Ulysses, Neb.,  
Feb. 19, 1899.  
Dear Sirs: I was well pleased with the seeds I purchased from you in former seasons. Please send the enclosed order as soon as possible.  
Yours respectfully,  
MRS. GEO. DOBSON.

Butztown, Pa.,  
Feb. 13, 1899.  
Dear Sirs: Enclosed find order for seeds and money for same. I was so well pleased with the seeds I bought from you last year.  
Very truly yours,  
MRS. ALONZO REISS.



DOUBLE ROSE FLOWERED PORTULACA.

**PORTULACA.**

Does well in any soil. Grows well in a dry place. Our Portulaca seed is selected from blooms showing a wide range of color in both the double and single sorts. The plants can be transplanted while in blossom, and thus the grower can select for beds or borders the colors he may desire. Annual. 12 inches.

**PORTULACA, DOUBLE ROSE FLOWERED.** Mixed Colors. *Pkt., 300 seeds, 4 cents.*

**PORTULACA, SINGLE.** Mixed Colors. *Pkt., 350 seeds, 3 cents.*

**OXALIS.**

A free flowering, bright foliage plant, covered with flowers from June until September. Readily grown from seed. Half hardy perennial.

**MIXED COLORS.** *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*

**ORNAMENTAL GRASSES.**

We have carefully selected from among the great number of varieties grown a choice selection of handsome and desirable sorts. They may be cut while green and dried in the shade for winter bouquet work. *Large Pkt., 3 cents.*

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✿ ✿ Except where noted. ✿ ✿

**PENSTEMON.**

One of the best herbaceous plants for the border. Producing long graceful spikes. Blooms the first season if planted early in the hotbed and transplanted out when danger of frost is over. Grows about two feet in height. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Half hardy perennial.

**CHOICE MIXED.** Pkt., 300 seeds, 4 cents.

**POPPY.**

This exceedingly showy and attractive plant: because of its beauty, easy cultivation and adaptability to almost every location, is rapidly assuming the universal popularity that it justly merits. Because of the structure of its roots the Poppy is very difficult to transplant; the better practice is to sow the seeds early in the spring where the plants are to flower.

**SHIRLEY POPPY.** A strain of Poppies that deserves to be most widely grown. The flowers are beautiful, elegant and exceedingly graceful; the colors are delicate and varied, and range from bluish white, rose, delicate pink through all the tints of carmine to bright sparkling crimson. Perennial. Pkt., 250 seeds, 4 cents.

**NEW POPPY.** White Swan. This is an effective and valuable Poppy; flowers are very double and of the purest snow white. Pkt., 250 seeds, 4 cents.

**DOUBLE POPPY.** Carnation Flowered. Mixed. Very easy to raise. Plant in masses and the appearance is very effective. Pkt., 250 seeds, 3 cents.

**ICELAND POPPIES.** Fine flowers of this perennial variety are produced in great abundance from seeds the first year. Of great variety of colors. Pkt., 250 seeds, 6 cents.



**PHLOX—Star of Quedlinburg.**

**PHLOX.**

A good bed of Phlox is a dazzling sight and there is no plant which will make so grand a display with so little trouble. Plants remain in bloom during the entire summer. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Annual.

**PHLOX—Star of Quedlinburg.**

A new variety of dwarf Phlox, bearing very pretty flowers, varying in color from violet blue to deep rose, margined with white; the edges are slightly fringed. The spines which project from the edge of the flower give it a star-like appearance.

**PHLOX, STAR OF QUEDLINBURG.** Mixed, 25 colors. Pkt., 125 seeds, 6 cents.

**PHLOX DRUMMONDII GRANDIFLORA.** Blooms during the entire summer, giving a constant display of splendid color unexcelled by any other annual. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Pkt., 125 seeds, 3 cents.

**PHLOX, New Fringed.** A very desirable new variety. Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents.

**PHLOX, Perennial.** Choicest mixed. Pkt., 40 seeds, 5 cts.

**PYRETHRUM.**

Pyrethrum, with its double flowers is as desirable as an Aster. The seeds should be sown early, in the house or hotbed, and planted out when large enough. May also be sown in the open border. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Hardy perennial. Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.

37 Broad St.,

Adrian, Mich., March 7, 1899.

Dear Sirs: Your seeds are so cheap I seem to want everything in the catalogue. My garden last season from your seeds was the admiration of ALL, and I had flowers from April until November. Yours truly,

MRS. C. S. VAN DOREN.

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No less than a full packet of seeds will be sold.

Centralia, Ill., April 5, 1899.

Dear Sirs, Enclosed find money order for one dollar to pay for flower seeds I order. The seeds I got of you last year are far better than any I have got from anyone else.

Yours respectfully,  
JOHN JUNE DAVIS.



PRIMULA SINENSIS.

**PRIMULA SINENSIS.**

This plant can be grown in the house with most satisfactory results if care is taken to preserve the right conditions. The seed should be sown at any time from February to July and great care taken in the preparation of the soil, which should be light and porous. The seed may be planted in shallow boxes or in pots and very slightly covered with soil. Water very carefully, and when the plants are large enough to handle pot off singly. The seed bed should be kept shaded while the seeds are germinating. Germinates in from 15 to 20 days. *Pkt., 32 seeds, 6 cents.*

**PRIMULA—Double.**

One of the best of the Primulas. Produces very large double flowers. *Pkt., 20 seeds, 14 cents.*

CROCKER'S NORTHERN GROWN SEEDS ARE SUPERIOR to all because they have Vitality, Prolificness, Bright Clear Coloring, Early Germination, Early to come to Perfection.

**PRIMULA OBCONICA.**

This is a profuse flowering primrose; It is very near an ever-blooming plant, and is without doubt one of the finest pot plants ever introduced. It is a favorite with all desiring easily grown plants. Flowers have the true primrose fragrance and range from pure white to lilac in color. This should be included in every order. *Pkt., 50 seeds, 4 cents.*

**EVENING PRIMROSE.**

Evening Primrose, so called from its peculiar habit of suddenly opening its flowers toward evening. The flowers are very large, nearly flat, and make a brilliant and striking effect at the close of the day. The leaves are almost without stems, lying very close to the ground. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Half hardy annual. *Pkt., 125 seeds, 3 cents.*



IMP. EMPEROR WILLIAM. GIANT TRIMARDEAU.



GIANT BUGNOT.

**PANSIES.**

Without doubt, of all the different flowers given in this catalogue the Pansy is the most general favorite, and justly so, as it is easily grown, very susceptible to cultivation, and well repaying with larger and finer flowers any extra attention it may receive. A cool, shady portion of the garden should be selected for the Pansy bed. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days.

**PANSY, PRESIDENT MCKINLEY.** This new giant Pansy is remarkable both for the lovely flower and perfect form of its immense flowers. The color is deep golden yellow each petal blotched with rich dark violet, margined with an edging of "pure gold." *Pkt., 100 seeds, 6 cents.*

**PANSY, IMPROVED FRENCH RED.** The flowers are throughout a beautiful, rich deep-red color, far superior to any of the old reds. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents.*

**PANSY, SWEET SCENTED.** These Pansies are not a new variety, but a mixture of a few varieties of pansies that have the true violet odor. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents.*

**PANSY, CROCKER'S IMPERIAL GERMAN MIXTURE.** This will be found to be a mixture of the very best named sorts, in such proportion as to secure the best and most harmonious results when growing in beds or borders. This mixture has become famous for its flowers of large size and soft, rich velvety texture and clear, distinct markings. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 8 cents.*

**PANSY, GOOD MIXED.** Not quite so good as the above, but quite as good as the ordinary packets of Pansies sold for TEN CENTS by the seed houses who do not make a SPECIALTY OF FLOWER SEEDS. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents.*



# CROCKER'S SUPERB GIANT PANSIES.

## PANSY—Crocker's Improved Giant Odier.

A handsome variety producing very large and perfect blossoms, with dark, deep, velvety blotches margined with an endless variety of colors. Extra large and fine. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 8 cents.*

## PANSY—Improved Emperor William.

This beautiful variety has been greatly improved by our growers, both in size and color, and is one of the most beautiful Pansies grown. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 8 cents.*

## PANSY—Giant Yellow.

This immense yellow Pansy is a fitting companion to the other two superb Pansies described above. Color golden yellow with deep reddish brown stripes and blotches, making a very striking and beautiful flower. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 8 cents.*

## PANSY—Lord Beaconsfield.

A beautiful large variety of Pansy, which will no doubt become very popular. The flowers are large, the lower petals of a deep purple, shading gradually to a white or purplish white on the upper part. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*

## PANSY—Giant Bugnot.

Flowers very large with broad blotches, beautifully penciled to the edge of the petals. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents.*

## PANSY—Giant Trimardeau.

The blossoms are simply enormous, perfect in form and run through all the varieties of color. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*

## PANSY—Snow Queen.

Pure white with yellow spot in the center of the flower. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*

## PANSY—Fire King.

One of the largest and handsomest of the large varieties. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*

## PANSY—Special Offer.

We will send one packet each of the five grand pansies; CROCKER'S IMPROVED GIANT ODIER, IMPROVED EMPEROR WILLIAM, GIANT YELLOW, LORD BEACONSFIELD and GIANT TRIMARDEAU for 25 cts.



CROCKER'S IMPROVED GIANT ODIER.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 13, 1899.

Dear Sirs: I was very much pleased with the Pansy seeds I bought of you last year. They blossomed very nice and were very pretty. I enclose an order for seeds.

Yours truly,

MISS HESTER M. DAVIS.

Lytle, Ga., April 3, 1899.

Gentlemen: I send here with an order for flower seeds and I will appreciate it very much if you will send the seed at once. Your flower seeds have given entire satisfaction heretofore.

Respectfully,

MRS. W. A. WOOD.



MAMMOTH DOUBLE PETUNIA.

**PETUNIA.**

Petunias in beds or masses are particularly effective. Their richness of color, fragrance, and continuous blooming have caused them to be grown in almost every flower garden. We are this season enabled to offer some of the finest varieties to our customers. Seed germinates in from 12 to 15 days. Hardy annual. Two feet.

**MAMMOTH DOUBLE PETUNIA.**

Perhaps the best of all of the Petunias are the double ones. They have all the range of color and shading of the single sorts besides their doubleness, which adds much to their beauty. We are selling this season a very superior quality of seed, from which a large per cent of double flowers will be produced, about 30 to 40 per cent of the flowers being double. *Pkt., 35 seeds, 9 cents.*



PETUNIA GRANDIFLORA.

**PETUNIA GRANDIFLORA.**

Our illustration shows to some extent the form of this beautiful Petunia; it could not, however, give any idea of the countless variety of different colors and combination of colors and shades. They embrace all colors from pure white to dark blue and deep red and all of the intervening shades blended together in infinite variety. The flowers have great depth and substance and often measure five inches in diameter. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 8 cents.*

**PETUNIA HYBRIDA.**

The flowers from these seeds possess all of the colors peculiar to the Petunia and for hedges and borders will be found an excellent mixture. *MIXED. Pkt., 125 seeds, 3 cents.*

**RICINUS—Castor Bean.**

### **RICINUS. Castor Bean.**

A tall stately plant, much grown where a tropical effect is desired. The palmate leaves are of a glossy green, bronzed or metallic color. The seeds are produced on long prickly spikes of scarlet green. Plant in hotbed and transplant when three leaves have formed, or plant where they are required if preferable. This is a very beautiful and satisfactory plant and grows quickly in rich soil. Grows from 6 to 10 feet. Germinates in from 12 to 15 days. Annual.

**FINEST MIXED.** Pkt., 8 seeds, 3 cents.

**RICINUS ZANZIBAR-ENSIS.** A new choice African importation, leaves two feet across with large marbled and spotted seeds. Pkt., 8 seeds, 4 cents.

**STOCKS.**

The Stock (Gilly Flower) has many attractive and desirable features; its delightful fragrance, early flowering, brilliancy and attractiveness of color, profusion, duration and perfection of bloom, have been the reason for its general cultivation. The Ten Weeks Stocks are the variety most commonly cultivated. Stocks grown in rich light soil will produce an immense quantity of bloom. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days. Half hardy annual.

**TEN WEEKS. DOUBLE GIANT PERFECTION.** Produces large spikes of perfectly double flowers. Pkt., 75 seeds, 6 cents.

**DWARF GERMAN TEN WEEKS. Fine Mixed.** A good selection in all the best colors. Pkt., 75 seeds, 3 cents.

**WHITE PERPETUAL.** A variety which, if sown early, will produce an abundance of pure white bloom from June until November. Pkt., 60 seeds, 5 cents.

**EVENING SCENTED.** The delicate perfume of the flowers of this variety make it a general favorite with all. The blossoms remain partially closed during the day but open at twilight, diffusing their fragrance on the evening air. Pkt., 50 seeds, 6 cents.

### **SCARLET RUNNER.**

A very ornamental as well as useful climber. It grows to a height of twelve feet and is covered at all times with hundreds of beautiful bright scarlet flowers. Suitable for all locations where a strong growing climber is desired. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Annual. 12 feet. Pkt., 10 seeds, 4 cents.

### **RHODOCHI- TON—Volubile.**

The flowers are about two inches long, of a rich claret red, blooms profusely from seed the first season; valuable for trellises. Germinates in from 20 to 35 days. 10 feet. Pkt., 20 seeds, 8 cents.

**SCARLET RUNNER.**



## SWEET PEAS.

**SWEET PEA—Adonis.** A beautiful scarlet rose. The color is very deep. The flowers are not so large as some of the other sorts, but are produced in great abundance. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 10 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Alba Magnifica.** A beautiful pure white. There is perhaps no better white grown. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 10 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—America.** The very brightest blood-red striped. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Apple Blossom.** This variety has the colors and delicacy of the apple blossom. All shades, from bright rose to delicate pink. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Aurora.** The flowers are of fine substance, full expanded form (as shown in the illustration), and are truly gigantic in size. The immense flowers are borne three and four on a stem; the stems are extra long and strong. The vines are vigorous in growth and bloom most profusely. The color effect is gorgeous; both standards and wings are flaked and striped on a white ground, with bright orange-salmon. No Sweet Pea is more effective when cut. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 5 cents; oz., 14c.*

**SWEET PEA—Blanche Ferry.** One of the best pink and white Sweet Peas grown. Very early. Blossoms are of large size and very fragrant. Should be grown by everyone who grows Sweet Peas. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 10 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Blushing Beauty.** A new variety. Very fine, delicate pink; hooded in form and of the true grandiflora type; the flowers being very large and of good substance. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Brilliant.** Will no doubt prove to be the best Sweet Pea novelty of 1899. The *Brilliant* produces flowers of improved form and good substance; medium, to large in size. The broad standard is inclined to hood, while the wings are well spread. The color is of a rich, bright crimson-scarlet. A most important feature of this beautiful Sweet Pea is the fact that the flowers will retain their brilliancy of color under the hottest sun, never becoming marbled or burned. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 5c.; oz., 15c.*

**SWEET PEA—Butterfly.** A clear white, laced with lavender; notched standard. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Celestial.** A delicate azure-blue; a German novelty of great merit of the true grandiflora type. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 5 cents; oz., 15 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Coquette.** A very large grandiflora Sweet Pea. Primrose—yellow shaded with pale lavender. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 5 cents; oz., 15 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Crown Princess of Prussia.** Flesh-colored and salmon-buff. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 10 cents.*

**DWARF SWEET PEA—White Cupid.** A dwarf Sweet Pea recently introduced. It is white in color, growing about six inches tall. *Dwarf. Pkt., 40 seeds, 5 cents.*

**DWARF SWEET PEA—New Pink Cupid.** The pink Cupid is especially recommended because of its free flowering habit. *Dwarf. Pkt., 40 seeds, 6 cents.*



**SWEET PEA—Delight.** A beautiful, delicate variety; white, slightly crested with crimson. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Duchess of Edinburgh.** Scarlet and crimson. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 10 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Gaiety.** Lively stripes of bright crimson on white. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Golden Gate.** Its peculiar form, as shown in the illustration taken from a photograph, is *unlike any other Sweet Pea*. The novel features as seen in the long, pointed wings, which stand upright (like the ears of a rabbit), nearly parallel with the standard. The wings never overlap or meet together, as in all other Sweet Peas. The upright forms, parallel with each other, suggested the name—**GOLDEN GATE**. The numerous strong stems bear three and four flowers each. The standard is soft pinkish mauve; wings a light mauve and lavender. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 5 cents; oz., 15 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Lady Beaconsfield.** Salmon pink; wings primrose. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Maid of Honor.** A new improved Sweet Pea. The coloring is very beautiful, a light blue on a white ground, shaded and edged. The flowers, borne three on a stem, are of the finest hooded form, entirely free from notches. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 5 cents; oz., 15 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Painted Lady.** One of the old varieties which no new variety seems able to displace. It holds its popularity from real merit. Rose pink and white. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 10 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Princess of Wales.** A very large grandiflora Sweet Pea. Striped mauve on white ground. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Purple Prince.** A beautiful purple Sweet Pea. The Standard is maroon; wings purple. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Queen of England.** Pure white; notched at top of standard. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 10 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Ramona.** This grandiflora Sweet Pea is of the largest size with flowers of good substance. The color is white daintily splashed with pale pink. This is one of the best of the new varieties. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Senator.** Bright brown and chocolate, striped. Something new and odd. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Splendor.** Superb bright rose, shaded crimson. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Venus.** Lovely salmon-buff, shaded rose-pink. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; oz., 12 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Double.** Of all the Sweet Peas the double will without doubt produce the finest flowers and give the greatest satisfaction. Where something real choice is wanted we would recommend the Double Sweet Pea; while all the blossoms will not be double a large portion of them will be about 40 per cent. Our Double Sweet Peas are made up of a mixture of seven named varieties. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 6 cents; oz., 18 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Imperial Mixed.** This is our best mixture and will compare favorably with any mixture of Sweet Peas ever offered. It consists of the following ten NAMED varieties: Bushing Beauty, Boreation, Bronze King, Butterfly, Countess of Radnor, Firefly, Gaiety, Princess of Wales, Venus and Mrs. Joseph Chamberlain. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 6 cents; oz., 12 cents; ¼ lb., 28 cents; lb., 90 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Eckford's New Varieties Mixed.** A choice selection from the new varieties of Eckford Peas, and will produce results only excelled by the Imperial Mixture. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents; oz., 8 cents; ¼ lb., 22 cents; lb., 75 cents.*

**SWEET PEA—Good Mixed.** A mixture that will be found perfectly satisfactory to the ordinary Sweet Pea grower. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 3 cents; oz., 6 cents; ¼ lb., 15 cents; lb., 35 cents.*

**GRAND SWEET PEA COLLECTION.**  
1 packet each of the twenty-eight named varieties on pages 28 and 29 for 75 cents.







SOLANUM.

Jerusalem Cherry.

**SOLANUM.****Jerusalem Cherry.**

An ornamental pot plant. Its beautiful foliage interspersed with scarlet fruit are a delight and pride to the grower. It is a very prolific bloomer and will be covered all winter with its scarlet fruit. Germinates in from 15 to 20 days. Half hardy annual. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*

**SCABIOSA.****Mourning Bride or Sweet Scabious.**

A beautiful border plant. The flowers are borne in great profusion in a variety of shades and colors. Hardy annual. Two feet. *MIXED. Pkt., 100 seeds, 5 cents.*

**SALPIGLOSSIS****SALPIGLOSSIS. Grandiflora.**

The graceful flowers of this very showy bedding or border plant are funnel-shaped and richly colored. They grow on long stems in great profusion and resemble, in some measure, the petunia. The colors are beautifully marbled and penciled, and include purple, scarlet, crimson, yellow, buff, blue and almost black. They bloom from August to October and attain a growth of one and a half feet. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Tender annual.

*CHOICEST MIXED. Pkt., 200 seeds, 4 cents.***SUNFLOWER. Helianthus.**

They serve as excellent screens and wind-breaks. Our seed produce flowers remarkable for their size and brilliancy. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Hardy annual.

*HELIANTHUS CALIFORNICUS. Very double. Pkt., 40 seeds, 4 cents.**LARGE RUSSIAN. A very tall growing single variety. Pkt., 40 seeds, 3 cents.*

STATICE SUWAROWI.

**STATICE SUWAROWI.**

From ten to fifteen branching flower spikes appear successively on each plant of this finest strain of annual Statice. If sown in succession may be had in constant bloom all summer and autumn. The flowers are of a very bright rose with a crimson shade, and will measure from fifteen to eighteen inches in length and one-half to one inch in breadth. The foliage lies flat on the ground and is nearly concealed by the numerous flower spikes. Annual. *Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.*

**SMILAX.**

This plant is not surpassed for its glossy, deep green, waxy and most delicate foliage. It is very well adapted for vases and trellises, and will be found excellent for parlor and window culture. The finest green there is for bouquet work. Soak the seed in water twelve hours and plant in pots or hotbed and keep in warm, moist place. Perennial climber. Germinates in from 15 to 20 days. *Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents; ¼ oz., 16 cents.*





SWEET WILLIAM—*Dianthus Barbatous*.

### SWEET WILLIAM. *Dianthus Barbatous*.

An old garden favorite. It has been for years an unfailing favorite and cannot be surpassed in the grand display it makes throughout the latter part of summer and autumn. The plants bloom for several successive years, but better results can be obtained by sowing the seeds in the open ground early each spring, as it has been found that young plants are much better bloomers and in all ways more satisfactory than those which have been kept over from the preceding year. 18 inches. Hardy perennial. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days.

**BEST SINGLE AND DOUBLE.** Mixed. Pkt., 150 seeds, 4 cents.

### SALVIA. Flowering Sage.

This popular house and bedding plant blooms the first year from seed. The flowers grow on long spikes and range in color from scarlet to deepest blue. The plant blooms profusely from July to October. It is so easily grown that the purchase of plants is entirely unnecessary. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days.

**SALVIA SPLENDENS.** Scarlet Sage. A magnificent plant with spikes often measuring 10 to 12 inches. Vivid scarlet in color. Pkt., 40 seeds, 4 cts.

**SALVIA FARINACEA.** A dwarf and compact variety with long spikes of beautiful blue flowers. When planted with the scarlet sage a beautiful effect is produced. Pkt., 50 seeds, 4 cents.



VINCA ROSEA.

### VINCA ROSEA.

Blooms freely, the blossoms being circular and rose color. The foliage is also very attractive. If planted early in the hot-bed and transplanted it will be in bloom throughout the summer and autumn; makes a good pot plant. Germinates in from 12 to 15 days. Tender annual. Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents.



VERBENA.

### VERBENA.

The plant is grown in almost every garden and on almost every lawn. For beds and borders it is more useful and attractive than any plant of which we know. It blooms freely the first season from seed, having beautifully striped and variegated flowers. Grows to be about one foot long. No garden flower is more easily grown, and it will thrive anywhere. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Half hardy perennial.

**PURE WHITE.** Pkt., 75 seeds, 4 cents.

**BLUE.** Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cents.

**SCARLET.** Pkt., 60 seeds, 5c.

**ODORATA.** A fragrant early blooming variety. Pkt., 60 seeds, 3 cts.

**LEMON.** Grown for its peculiar fragrance. Pkt., 75 seeds, 4 cents.

**EXTRA CHOICE MIXED.** Pkt., 60 seeds, 5 cents.

**FINE MIXED.** Pkt., 60 seeds, 4 cents.

**HYBRIDA.** Pkt., 60 seeds, 3c.



WHITLAVIA.

### WHITLAVIA.

This pretty plant produces a constant succession bright blue and pure white bell-shaped flowers in graceful and drooping clusters. Should be sown in the open border early in the spring. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Hardy annual. 12 inches.

**GRANDIFLORA.** Pkt., 200 seeds, 4 cents.

### THUNBERGIA.

#### Blackeyed Susan.

A beautiful climber growing very rapidly. Is very useful for vases, rustic work or house culture. Colors pure white, bright yellow and deep orange. Germinates in from 8 to 10 days. Half hardy annual.

**FINE MIXED.** Pkt., 25 seeds, 3 cents.



XERANTHEMUM.

**XERANTHEMUM.**

Flowers are single and double, white, purple and yellow. If gathered before fully opened and dried in the shade they will retain their beauty for years. Everlasting. Hardy annual.

**FINEST MIXED.** Pkt., 75 seeds, 4 cents.

**VIOLET.**

A very delicate and beautiful plant that should be grown by every lover of choice flowers. Give shady situation in rich, deep soil. Hardy perennial.

**FINEST MIXED.** Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.

**WALLFLOWER.**

Produces large, massive spikes that are very conspicuous in bed or borders. Germinates in from 5 to 7 days. Tender perennial. 18 inches.

**CHOICE MIXED.** Pkt., 75 seeds, 4 cents.



ZINNIA.

**ZINNIA.**

The Zinnia has many points of excellence; it is easily grown and so handsome and striking that many people consider that their flower garden would be incomplete without it. Its flowers, which are produced in great abundance all summer, make without doubt as brilliant a display as any plant grown. It is commonly grown in the border as a hedge plant. It is very symmetrical and showy and when set from fifteen to twenty inches apart, with other bright blooming plants between, its effect is simply marvelous. The seeds grow easily and the plants are readily transplanted. Germinates in from 3 to 5 days. Half hardy annual.

**ZINNIA ELEGANS.** Large flowered double. Pkt., 100 seeds, 6 cents.

**ZINNIA DOUBLE LILLIPUT.** A dwarf and compact variety blooming the entire summer. Pkt., 75 seeds, 6 cents.

**ZINNIA.** Choice Double Mixed. Pkt., 75 seeds, 3 cents.

**WILD  
FLOWER  
GARDEN.**

A combination of free blooming plants that are easily cultivated. In this collection constant bloom is secured throughout the season.

**CHOICE MIXED  
FLOWER SEEDS.**  
Pkt., 300 seeds, 2 cents.



TORENIA—White Wings.

**TORENIA.  
White Wings.**

A plant well suited for pot culture, vases and hanging baskets, or in the open ground in beds, or masses. It is very attractive, bearing white flowers tinged with blush with yellow throat. Germinates in from 12 to 15 days. Annual. Pkt., 100 seeds, 4 cents.

The newest  
and best thing  
for the garden,

“Allegheny  
Hollyhocks.”

See page 17.

249 Coming St., Charleston, S. C., Feb. 18, 1899.

Gents: The last seeds you sent me proved excellent. Please send the enclosed list.

Yours truly,  
H. MEYER.

Brookville, Kansas, March 2, 1899.

Dear Sirs: Your seeds have done well for me before, especially the Red Salvia. If the blue does as well it will be beautiful. I never saw it advertised in any other catalogue. I have recommended your seeds to all my friends because they have done so well for me.

Yours truly,  
MRS. J. S. MARTIN.



## SELECT BULBS.

### For Summer Flowering.

Our Bulb pages will be found to contain only the reliable varieties that can easily be grown under ordinary conditions. All are inexpensive and quickly make a gorgeous display. The bulbs can be kept over winter and will continue to bloom year after year. These bulbs are all true to name and we have priced them very low to bring them within the reach of all. They are in splendid condition, fine large bulbs properly stored in our warehouse. Bulbs of so good quality can be purchased nowhere else for the same money. They will be sent, securely packed, postpaid (except where noted) by mail, in the same parcels with flower seeds.

### AMARYLLIS.

The Amaryllis are very interesting and desirable plants, for growing in pots. The flowers are very showy and attractive. The bulbs should be planted in a rich sandy loam with good drainage. They require abundant moisture when growing.

**AMARYLLIS FORMOSISSIMA.** The flowers are of a deep, rich, velvety crimson; very brilliant. Grows well in pots or the open ground and blooms very soon after planting, usually before the leaves start. *10 cents each; 3 for 25 cents.*

### LILIUM AURATUM. Gold Banded.


Justly famous as the most beautiful and fragrant of all Lillies, (selling for \$5.00 per bulb, when first discovered in Japan). Our bulbs will each produce from ten to twenty-five fine blooms, seven to twelve inches across, on a stock three to four feet high. This Lilly is also known as the "Gold-Banded Lilly from Japan." *EXTRA CHOICE BULBS, 15 cents each; 2 for 25 cents; 5 for 50 cents.*

### CINNAMON VINE.

A very pretty vine to trail around the window on a trellis. The plant is covered with brilliant, glossy foliage and an abundance of fragrant flowers. It is a quick grower and attains a height of twenty feet in one season. *Extra Fine Roots, 8 cents each; 3 for 20 cents; dozen, 70 cents.*

Peoria, Ill., March 3, 1899.  
Dear Sirs: I got some seeds of you last year and they grew better than any I bought from the stores; for that reason I send you all of my order.

Yours truly,  
MRS. WM. LOER.



**CROCKER'S GIANT PANSIES**  
Have become the standard for excellence. We have taken great care to grow the best. We believe there are none so good anywhere. ❀ ❀ ❀







**EXCELSIOR PEARL  
TUBEROSE.**

beautifully imbricated, delightfully fragrant and very double. 8 cents each; 4 for 25 cents; dozen, 40 cents.

We have thousands of Unsolicited Testimonials. Each one speaks a satisfied customer. We give a few in this catalogue and on the order sheet (we have hundreds more). Notice whence they come, from every state in the Union. You cannot satisfy customers with poor seeds. Our customers are satisfied; our seeds must be good.

### TUBE ROSES.

True Excelsior Dwarf Pearl Tube Rose. This variety is more dwarf than any other variety in cultivation. The flowers are very large, pure white, beautifully imbricated, delightfully fragrant and very double. 8 cents each; 4 for 25 cents; dozen, 40 cents.

## Crocker Flower Seed Annual and Floral Culture

Contains more accurate information about how to grow Flowers than any catalogue published.

OUR SEEDS are nearly all put up in lithographed bags, beautiful specimens of lithographic art.

OUR PACKAGES contain full and accurate information as to care and planting. Such complete instructions are not to be found on any other flower seed bags. If in doubt as to culture of any plant write us (enclosing stamp for return) and our head gardener will give you complete information.



**TUBEROUS ROOTED BEGONIA.**

### TUBEROUS ROOTED BEGONIAS.

#### Crocker's Gigantic Strain.

Enormous size, good substance, and rich colors of this gigantic strain of tuberous rooted Begonias are proof of the wonders that may be done by skillful cross-fertilization. The colors range from ivory-white and brilliant scarlet through all shades of bronze-yellow, light and dark crimson, orange, pink and rose. Flowers are very effectively displayed by the beautiful foliage. For hardiness, vigor and profusion of bloom this strain cannot be surpassed.

**CHOICE SINGLE MIXED  
BULBS.** 8 cents each; 3 for 20 cents.

**CHOICE DOUBLE MIXED  
BULBS.** 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.

### GLADIOLUS.

#### Crocker's Royal Show Mix- ture of Gladiolus.

*Many new Hybrid Seedlings Double the  
Size of the older sorts.*

Every bulb in this strain is the product of the best growers, all forms and colors of this magnificent plant being represented. The stocks carrying enormous blooms, only to be compared with the richest Orchids or the brightest Amaryllis. This stock is necessarily limited but we make the price low enough to enable every one to give them a trial! 8 cents each; 3 for 20 cents; dozen, 70 cents.

### GLADIOLUS IN COLORS.

This collection of Gladioli bulbs is made up from the choicest varieties, both dark and light colors. This must not be confused with the ordinary mixtures. *Fine Bulbs, 3 cents each; dozen, 25 cents; 25 for 45 cents; per hundred, \$1.50.*

### LILIUM TIGRINUM.

Improved Single Tiger Lilly, perfectly hardy. 3 to 4 feet. 8 cents each; 3 for 20 cents; dozen, 70 cents.

### LAWN GRASS SEED.

Not the least part of the flower garden is the lawn that surrounds the flower beds and borders: a well kept and properly arranged lawn is a thing as much to be considered as the kinds and quality of the flowers that are to be planted in the beds and edgings thereof.

We have prepared for our trade this season a mixture of the best and most valuable grasses that will produce a lasting and beautiful lawn. As no one variety is sufficient to produce a green that will be green all the summer, it is necessary to mix several. With each order we enclose full directions for preparing the ground, sowing and caring for the lawn. A quart will sow about 300 square feet. *By mail, postpaid; one quart, 25 cents; two quarts, 45 cents. By express, at buyer's expense; one quart, 15 cents; one peck, 90 cents.*







# PLANTING.

Below will be found the names of the various flowering plants carefully arranged and classified, showing the various places and uses for which each is best adapted. We are certain that our customers will find this of great value in planting out the young plants and also in sowing the seed; it will enable them to arrange their beds and borders in the most suitable manner without consulting the various descriptions in the body of this catalogue. It will also be found indispensable in making up seed orders; that the seeds ordered may be suited to the location in which the plants are intended to be grown. Many of the varieties will be found in several of the lists; where such is the case the plant may be grown to advantage in any of the locations mentioned.

## PLANTS FOR CONSTANT BLOOM.

Alyssum, Amaranthus, Antirrhinum, Arabis Alpina, Balsam, Bachelor's Button, Brachycome, Calliopsis, Campanula, Canna, Carnations, Cleome Pungens, Dahlia, Dianthus, Eschscholtzia, Feverfew, Four O'Clock, Gaillardia, Geranium, Impatiens Sultani, Marigold, Mignonette, Morning Glory, Nasturtium, Nigella, Pansy, Petunia, Phlox, Portulaca, Salvia, Sunflower, Sweet Peas, Verbena, Zinnia.

## DWARF PLANTS FOR MASSES.

Ageratum, Alyssum, Brachycome, Candytuft, Dwarf French Marigold, Eschscholtzia, Godetia, Heliotrope, Lobelia, Nasturtium, Phlox, Poppy, Portulaca, Verbena.

## PLANTS FOR WINDOW BOXES AND HANGING BASKETS.

Alyssum, Butterfly Flower, Daisy, Geranium, Ice Plant, Lobelia, Linaria, Marigold, Maurandia, Mignonette, Nasturtium, Pansy, Petunia, Portulaca, Thunbergia, Torenia, Whitlavia.

## TALL FOLIAGE PLANTS.

Amaranthus, Canna, Cosmos, Ricinus, Sunflower

## DWARF PLANTS FOR EDGINGS, BORDERS AND RIBBON BEDDING.

Adonis, Ageratum, Alyssum, Anchusa Capensis, Antirrhinum, Arabis Alpina, Balsam, Brachycome, Candytuft, Carnations, Coleus, Daisy, Dianthus, Feverfew, Forget-me-not, Geranium, Heliotrope, Lantana, Lobelia, Mignonette, Pansy, Penstemon, Phlox, Portulaca, Verbena, Vinca Rosea, Violet.

## PLANTS SUITABLE FOR BEDS.

Acacia, Acroclinium, Adonis, Amaranthus, Antirrhinum, Aster, Balsam, Bachelor's Button, Calendula, Calliopsis, Campanula, Canna, Carnations, Chrysanthemum, Cleome Pungens, Cockscomb, Cosmos, Dahlia, Datura, De phinium, Euphorbia, Gaillardia, Helichrysum, Hollyhock, Hibiscus, Linum, Lychnis, Marigold, Mignonette, Mimulus, Molucca Balm, Nicotiana, Nigella Ornamental Grasses, Pansy, Petunia, Phlox, Poppy, Ricinus, Salpiglossis, Salvia, Scabiosa, Statice, Stocks, Sunflower, Sweet William, Xeranthemum, Zinnia.

## PLANTS FOR SUMMER HEDGE.

Calliopsis, Canary Bird Vine, Canna, Four O'Clock, Hollyhock, Tall Marigold, Morning Glory, Ricinus, Sunflower, Sweet Peas.

## CLIMBERS.

Ampelopsis, Balloon Vine, Bryonopsis, Calampelis, Centrosema, Cobaea Scandens, Coccinea Indica, Cypress Vine, Gourds, Honeysuckle, Japanese Hop, Lathyrus, Linaria, Maurandia, Mina Lobata, Momordica, Morning Glory, Rhodochiton, Scarlet Runner, Smilax, Sweet Peas, Tall Nasturtiums, Thunbergia.

## POT PLANTS FOR HOUSE CULTURE.

Abutilon, Acacia, Alyssum, Antirrhinum, Begonia, Calceolaria, Calendula, Candytuft, Carnations, Chrysanthemums, Cineraria, Cobaea Scandens, Coleus, Cyclamen, Daisy, Feverfew, Forget-me-not, Fuchsia, Geranium, Gloxinia, Heliotrope, Hibiscus, Impatiens Sultani, Lantana, Linaria, Mignonette, Mimulus, Nasturtiums Dwarf, Nicotiana, Oxalis, Pansy, Primulas, Salvia, Smilax, Solanum, Thunbergia, Vinca Rosea.

## CHILDREN'S GARDEN.

Aster, Balsam, Brachycome, Calliopsis, Candytuft, Eschscholtzia, Four O'Clock, Gaillardia, Larkspur, Marigold, Mignonette, Mimosa, Morning Glory, Nasturtium, Nigella, Pansy, Petunia, Phlox, Poppy, Portulaca, Salpiglossis, Sweet Peas, Zinnia.

## EVERLASTINGS.

Acroclinium, Gomphrena, Helichrysum, Ornamental Grasses, Xeranthemum.

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Flash and gleam among the oak trees:  
Laugh and leap into the valley.